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Schoolboy hurt in collision with van

A TEENAGE pupil from Northampton School for Boys was still in hospital in a "stable" condition yesterday after he was knocked over while walking home.

Fourteen-year-old Jack Coogan suffered head injuries after he was in collision with a white van about 300 metres from the school gates on Monday.

The accident happened at 3.45pm, as the teenager was believed to have been walking home from school.

The year 10 pupil was initially taken to Northampton General Hospital but was subsequently transferred to John Radcliffe Hospital on Monday night to undergo specialist treatment. Last night he remained at John Radcliffe and was in a stable condition.

Jack is understood to be a junior member of Northampton Old Scouts Rugby Club, where his father Phill is one of the junior coaches.

Mike Griffiths, headteacher at Northampton School for Boys, yesterday said pupils at the school were wishing their classmate a speedy recovery following the crash.

Mr Griffiths said: "On Monday after school there was an incident in which a year 10 boy from Northampton School for Boys was in collision with a van whilst walking home. The boy was transferred to a hospital in Oxford.

"It is very early days yet, but initial signs are that he is making satis-



Police at the scene of the collision in Billing Road on Monday

factory progress in his recovery."

Police are appealing for witnesses to the accident to come forward.

Crash investigators closed part of Billing Road, between Rushmere Road and Chipsey Avenue, for about two hours on Monday night as part of their investigation.

A police spokesman said: "We are appealing for information following a road traffic collision in Billing Road, Northampton. At around 3.45pm on Monday, a white Ford Transit van was in collision with a pedestrian, a 14-year-old local boy.

"The boy was taken to Northamp-

ton General Hospital but later transferred to the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford with a serious head injury."

Witnesses to the collision, or anyone with information about it, can contact the Drivewatch Hotline on 0800 174615.

Roadworks' end relieves firms

BUSINESS owners who have suffered throughout the Kingsthorpe roadworks are praying for the return of lost customers as the traffic flow returns to normal.

Months of roadworks along Harborough Road are almost complete, with temporary traffic lights taken down in the last few days, to the relief of local businesses and commuters.

Only a few minor lane closures will remain in place until early next week.

Businesses are now hoping customers who have avoided the area will now return, but Phil Wilkinson, the manager at McGanns A1 Motor Store said: "I think it will be after Christmas until things start to pick up and people realise that things are back to normal."

Event honours town's Saint

THE life of an Anglo-Saxon saint, who is believed to have inspired a number of "miracles" to take place in Northampton more than 1,000 years ago, will be celebrated this week.

A series of events are due to be held in honour of Saint Ragener of Northampton, died in 870AD and is buried in St Peter's Church in Marefair.

Tomorrow, the Friends of St Peter's Church have organised a celebration at the church, in Marefair from 6.30pm to 9pm. Donations will be welcome.



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Eric Cheesman with a picture of Jaime as a teenager (left) and how she may look now

Where did Jaime go?

THE father of a missing Northamptonshire woman has joined police in appealing for the mystery to finally be solved, on the 18th anniversary of her disappearance.

Jaime Cheesman, a former pupil at Lings Upper School in Northampton, was aged 16 on November 8, 1993 when she was reported missing while staying with friends in Grimsby.

Since that day, despite several unconfirmed sightings, she has never been officially seen and she has never contacted her worried parents, Eric and Barbara.

Her father used the 18th anniversary of the report of her disappearance to renew the appeal for information or, better still, for Jaime herself to come forward.

Eric Cheesman, from Wellingborough, now in his 60s, said: "We would really like to hear from Jaime or anyone who knows what's happened to her over the past 18 years.

"She was an outgoing girl with quite a few friends and someone

must know something."

Her family believe that Jaime may have adopted a traveller lifestyle and they remain convinced she was seen in the Wellingborough area a couple of times in the 1990s, but police have found no audit trail for her since the day she disappeared.

Det Chief Insp Kinchin stressed that if she contacted police there was no way they would pass on her details to her family without her consent.

He said: "We should acknowledge that Jaime is in her 30s now, and has a new life, a new identity and perhaps a family of her own and we would do nothing to disrupt that situation, but her family just want closure. For 18 years they have not known what caused her to break contact or what became of her.

"Obviously, at 34, Jaime is not going to be taken home like a child, but her family would desperately like to know that she is safe and happy, if nothing else."

Call Northamptonshire Police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Job cuts at council is 'upsetting news'

OPPOSITION leaders on Northamptonshire County Council said the news of more jobs cuts at the cash-strapped authority will be "very upsetting" for staff.

Up to 576 people could be affected by jobs cuts planned by the council to help save £100 million over the next four years.

But the leader of the opposition at County Hall, Councillor Brendan Glynane (Lib Dem, Delapre), claimed the proposals would cause massive upset within the council, especially

as they have been announced in the month before Christmas.

He said: "I think it will be quite upsetting to a lot of staff, especially in the areas where we believe the cuts are going to take place.

"I would think that many of those people are concerned and angry that their jobs may be up for the chop. And the timing of the announcement is certainly not good."

A total of 296 posts could be cut as part of the council proposals.

New cash machine

A NEW cash machine has been installed at The Co-op supermarket in Birchfield Road East, Abington, Northampton, five months after an attempted ram raid. A burglar tried to tear the machine from the wall using a JCB forklift truck in the early hours of June 2.

Two awards for builders

A NORTHAMPTON builders and plumbers merchant have won two national awards in two weeks. Martin & Partners Ltd, in Gladstone Close, Northampton, won the 'I Love Independents' Independent Merchant Supporter of the Year Award at the NMBS Dinner Dance at the Grosvenor House, London on October 22. They were also awarded the Dickies UK Builders Merchant Distributor Best in Class Builders Merchant of the Year at the Dickies Worker of the Year Awards Ceremony at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Marlow on November 4.

St Andrew's celebration

THE Northampton Town and County Scottish Association will hold its annual St Andrew's Night Dinner Dance at St George's Hall, St George's Avenue, Northampton, on November 25 from 7pm. Dress is black tie, including kilts. There will be dancing to Peter Scatterty. Tickets cost £26.50. For details or tickets call Northampton 637405 before November 15.

Think red for contest

PHOTOGRAPHERS can enter the annual Red for Heart digital photography competition in aid of The British Heart Foundation. Photos should be on the theme 'What the heart means to you' and incorporate the colour red. Entry costs £10 for adults, £5 for students, and £4.50 for those aged 15 and under. The closing date is Sunday, January 6, and winners will be announced later that month. To enter visit www.bhf.org.uk/redphotos

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Pupils to perform

A CHARITY Christmas market and carols will be held at The Church restaurant in Bridge Street, Northampton. The event will take place on December 11 from 2pm to 5pm and will include a market with stalls selling Christmas gifts, including jewellery and accessories. Pupils from Cedar Road Lower School in Cedar Road East, Northampton will perform carols. The event will raise funds for AGE UK Northamptonshire. For details or to host a stall, call Gemma on 07790432955.

Praise for twin town

BRACKLEY European Association will host its next meeting in Lower Town Hall, Brackley, on November 24 at 8pm. Brackley's twin town, Montabaur in Germany, has been awarded the Council of Europe's certificate for its twinning activities and the work of its English sub-committee in the Northamptonshire town, was singled out for special mention.

Advice on migraines

MIGRAINE sufferers can receive advice on managing and treating the disorder during an event at The University of Northampton. National charity, Migraine Action, will host the day at Sunley Management Centre, at Park Campus, Boughton Green Road, Kingsthorpe, on November 26. Tickets cost £15 or £20 for non-members and include lunch. The day will run from 9.30am to 3pm. To book call 0116 2758317.

Five stars for pub loos

THE Cordwainer pub in The Ridings, Northampton, has achieved the highest possible five-star rating in the Loo of the Year Awards 2011. The toilets were judged against numerous criteria, including decor and maintenance, cleanliness, accessibility, hygiene equipment and overall customer care.



Staff in fancy dress at Dorothy Perkins in the Weston Favell Centre to raise money

Shop's staff in fancy dress for charity day

A FANCY dress day in aid of the Breast Cancer Care Campaign, held at a branch of Dorothy Perkins in Northampton recently, has raised more than £700.

Staff at the shop, in the Weston Favell Centre, wore pyjamas and tutus and organised a series of events throughout the day, including a raffle and a 'guess how many sweets in

the jar' competition.

Deputy manager Andrea Massie said: "We all had great fun and the day went really well. We raised a total of £710."

Dorothy Perkins has supported Breast Cancer Care for seven years and the partnership has so far raised more than £2.6 million.

Drop in number of missed NGH appointments

WASTED outpatient appointments at Northampton General Hospital have been reduced by a quarter since a new telephone reminder service was introduced.

Hospital bosses began the service in May after being frustrated at the number of patients who failed to turn up to see a nurse or doctor, wasting valuable time of medical staff.

Figures for the first four months of the scheme showed the number of people failing to attend their appointment had reduced from over 9.4 per cent to 6.9 per cent, a reduction of more than a quarter.

Chris Pallot, NGH's director of planning and performance said: "Our aim in setting up the appointment reminder service was to reduce the number of people not attending their appointment, and reduce waiting times for patients.

"The success is good news because it helps us ensure as many patients as possible receive the care they require, and it helps us to reduce waiting times. The reminders are helping to reduce the number of people not attending, allowing those appointment slots to be offered to other patients.

Every year, thousands of appointments are wasted when patients fail to attend.

Last year (2010-11) more than 22,000 people

did not arrive for their appointments and failed to let the hospital know they would not be attending.

The service helps to remind patients who may have forgotten about their appointment to attend the hospital, or to cancel if they have decided it is no longer needed.

Patients aged 70 or over are contacted by dedicated staff but an automated service is used for others.

People are contacted seven days before their outpatient appointment, normally between 6pm and 8pm.

They then follow the instructions which ask them to confirm their identity before they are reminded about their appointment details.

The automated call then asks patients to press the appropriate button on their phone to confirm, cancel or rearrange their appointment.

Mr Pallot said: "Implementing the appointment reminder service helps us ensure that all appointments are fully used, and gives us an opportunity to bring forward patients if there are any cancellations, thereby reducing waiting times.

"The service is completely free for patients, and the cost to the trust is very small compared to the amount of money wasted by missed appointments, which nationally cost the NHS millions of pounds every year."

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THE Government is to close a legal loophole and stop retailers in Northamptonshire avoiding paying VAT by procuring goods from the Channel Islands. The oversight, used more frequently by retailers selling CDs and DVDs online, costs the Government £140 million a year. Low Value Consignment Relief (LVCR) will not apply to goods sent from the Channel Islands to the UK from April 1. The LVCR was set up for tax exemption purposes for goods coming from outside the European Union.

Shoeboxes to be sent

RESIDENTS in Abthorpe, near Towcester, have sent 33 shoeboxes filled with Christmas gifts to disadvantaged children across the world as part of the annual Operation Christmas Child. The nationwide scheme has been running since 1990.

Early eaters are happier

RESEARCHERS at The University of Northampton have found those who get up early and eat breakfast regularly are happier and more conscientious. The research also found people who eat breakfast were less likely to be overweight.

Firm up for three awards

WALDECK Engineering, in Moulton Park, Northampton, has been nominated for three categories in the Northamptonshire Business Excellence Awards 2011 today.

GP salaries are rising

AVERAGE GP salaries in the East Midlands rose by one per cent in 12 months, NHS figures show. Between 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 gross salaries rose from £114,500 to £115,700, the third largest percentage increase of ten regions.

County is to trial back to work scheme

PEOPLE from Northamptonshire who have been unemployed for more than two years could be forced to carry out community work under new Government guidelines.

David Cameron announced plans to get the long-term unemployed back into work last week.

The scheme is due to be enforced across the country from 2013, but Northamptonshire has been chosen as one of four pilot areas to introduce the new rules now.

The Conservative MP for Northampton North, Michael Ellis, welcomed the move.

He said: "I very much support these plans. People need as much help as we can give them to get back into work and this will help those who genuinely want to work by helping them get used to getting up in the morning and being of use to employers.

"It's not designed to punish anybody, it's to encourage them and help them get back into the world of work."

work."

Figures released in July this year show the unemployment rate in Northamptonshire is 3.3 per cent, which is slightly below the national average. In Northampton however, the rate is 3.9 per cent, which is above the national figure.

Under the Government's new scheme those who have been unemployed for two years or more would be made to do up to 26 weeks of community work a year, lasting at least 30 hours a week.

The Government has warned that those who refused could lose their benefits.

Announcing the project, employment minister, Chris Grayling, said: "We want a welfare state which is a ladder up which people climb, not a place they live. If people who are fit for employment still haven't managed to find a job after intensive support we want them to do community work and get into the habit and routine of work. No one should expect to be able to sit at home doing nothing."

Education in county 'adequate' - Ofsted

THE county council says it is "not where it should be" in terms of pupil attainment, particularly at GCSE level.

The annual Ofsted inspection of Northamptonshire County Council's children's services has found the department to be performing "adequately".

Inspectors noted the proportion of early years childcare providers and primary schools which are good or better has improved, and specialist school provision in the town continued to be good.

However, the inspectors stated that there were still "too few" sec-

ondary schools, including academies, that were at least good and the proportion of young people gaining high grade GCSEs continued to be below similar areas and nationally.

A spokesman for the county council said: "While we have seen year-on-year improvements in educational attainment, we are not where we should be. We will continue to support schools in delivering the best possible education for our children because our aim is not just to match national average performance, but to exceed it."

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Burglary on the stage

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Bazaar for the hospice

A CHRISTMAS bazaar in aid of Northampton-based palliative care centre Cynthia Spencer Hospice will take place at St Matthew's Church Rooms, 27a The Drive, in Kingsley, Northampton, from noon until 3pm on Saturday, November 19. Cynthia's Grotto will include stalls featuring festive food treats, flowers, stocking fillers and refreshments. For more information, call Sue Bownass on Northampton 678088.

Crafts at winter fair

A WINTER fair will be held in Abington Church Rooms, in Park Avenue North, Northampton. Stalls will include craft items, toiletries, sweets and chocolates, cakes, jewellery and bric a brac. There will also be tombolas and games at the fair on Saturday, December 19, from 10am until noon. Admission will be by donation.

Good report for school

A SCHOOL in Brackley has been rated "good" after a recent visit by Ofsted inspectors. Magdalen College School was inspected last month and a report praises the school for high attendance and good GCSE results. The report states: "Magdalen College is a good school. Under the strong and purposeful leadership of the headteacher it provides a very caring and supportive environment for students and is an important part of its local community."



Veterans and their supporters march through Northampton town centre to raise money for limbless ex-servicemen

Veterans march through the town

A TEAM of airborne veterans and supporters marched through Northampton town centre on their way to London to raise money for limbless ex-servicemen.

Derek Clark, who is UKIP's MEP for the East Midlands, met the marchers and presented them with a donation at All Saints Church last Monday, along with ex-soldier Jim MacArthur, chairman of the Northampton branch of the UK Independence Party.

The march from Rotherham to

London by the airborne veterans is in support of BLESMA – the British Limbless Ex Service Men's Association.

They set out from Rotherham on Saturday, passed through Nottingham and Leicester before arriving in Northampton on Monday, where they stopped for the night at the TA Centre in Clare Street, The Mounts.

Mr MacArthur, from Flore, became involved in the march having once served in the Airborne Units.

New bid for turbines near the M1

A NEW bid has been submitted for a wind farm in countryside near to the M1 in Northamptonshire, only six miles away from another proposal.

Wind Prospect Developments (WPD) formally handed in their application for nine wind turbines on agricultural land east of Roade and north of Hartwell to South Northamptonshire Council (SNC).

It is about six miles from another proposed wind farm site on the other side of the M1, near Salcey Forest, currently being dealt with by Milton Keynes Council's planning department.

Although residents have been expecting the application, after a mast to measure wind speed was put up last year, Councillor Sally Townsend said the news had still angered residents.

She said: "The general feeling

among residents is that we do not want this to happen.

"I don't think there can be any positives for the local community and I don't think the amount of energy can outweigh the impact on the environment.

"It will visually impact our community and I think it will be a distraction for drivers on the M1. I have already heard from residents and there should be, and will be, a fight which I will support.

"Having two applications in the same area means residents are getting rather fed up."

WPD argued the site was significantly distant from large conurbations and already experiences a significant level of visual and noise intrusion from the M1.

A Save Our Salcey campaign is already under way against Ecotricity's application for 15 wind turbines at Stoke Lodge Farm, less than two miles from Salcey Forest.

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The Government hopes the Growing Places scheme will allow work to start again on building sites across the country, including Northampton



Millions to be invested in new housing

MILLIONS of pounds of investment should soon be pumped into Northamptonshire as a result of a Government scheme to kick-start stalled housing developments.

Two Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs), which were set up to boost the area's economy, have been awarded a combined total of more than £17 million as part of the Government's Growing Places scheme.

The group which received most of the funding was the South East Midlands LEP (SEMLEP), which covers Northampton, Bedford, Luton and Milton Keynes.

The group received a total of £13,100,217. Its

chairman, Ann Limb, said it had not yet been decided what the money would be spent on, but all of the areas covered by the LEP had put forward their own suggestions.

She said: "We've currently got a very long list of projects and the idea is to narrow that down to a smaller list."

"It's fantastic news, because this is really a lot of money for the area and we've definitely got some good projects the money can be used for."

The Government said the Growing Places money should be used to cover up-front building costs which are preventing housing developments from going ahead, such as the construction of new roads.

As well as the funding for the South East Midlands LEP, Northamptonshire Enterprise Partnership (NEP) has also been awarded £3,925,692.

Northamptonshire County Council has suggested the money could be spent on projects such as improvements to the A14, the A43 and the A45.

The chairman of NEP, Paul Southworth, added: "We welcome any funding from the Government which can be used for the benefit of unlocking growth and prosperity in Northamptonshire."

"LEPs have been given a key role to play in helping to promote grass-roots economic recovery, something which has been and continues to be a primary focus for us."

Border issues were 'beyond Home Secretary's control'

NORTHAMPTON North MP Michael Ellis has defended under-fire Theresa May after grilling the Home Secretary over the current immigration row.

Mr Ellis was part of the Home Affairs Select Committee which questioned the Home Secretary about the relaxation of border controls and the watering-down of checks on Britons and other EU nationals.

Mr Ellis said he believed the prob-

lems had been caused by "unauthorised actions" beyond the Home Secretary's control.

He said: "We pay our senior officials very large sums of money and we have to give these officials some trust as to what they do."

"I think she answered the questions very clearly; there have been some suspensions and an investigation will be going on over the next few weeks."



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Tracy Stabley and Barry Scrivens, from Crockett and Jones shoe factory, who bought flowers for an elderly mugging victim

Staff raise money for victim, 95

FACTORY staff, disgusted by the news that a 95-year-old neighbour had had her handbag snatched, showed their support by presenting her with a collection and bouquet of flowers.

Vera Reader, of Abington, was overwhelmed with the generosity of the staff at Crockett and Jones shoe factory, who raised more than £100 for her.

But Vera, who extended her sincere thanks to the staff, chose instead to donate it to Cynthia Spencer Hospice, which has supported relatives of hers in the past.

Police are investigating the theft, which happened at about 3.25pm last Monday as Vera was unlocking her front door.

She turned to answer a stranger behind her, but he grabbed at her bag before speeding off in a car.

Barry Scrivens, a shoe worker at the nearby factory, was carrying out maintenance work when he saw Vera in distress.

He said: "I comforted her while we waited for the police, she was very shaken up and distressed."

"I was disgusted that somebody of her age could be a victim of a crime like that. She was very brave."

Colleague Tracy Stabler, who started the collection, added: "We all felt very strongly about it, the whole factory did."

"It's been quite an emotional day really. Even in these hard times everybody wanted to help her."

The offender is described as white, clean shaven and aged between 30 and 40. He had a stocky build and was about 5ft 4in tall with short, light brown hair.

Anyone with information can contact Northamptonshire Police on 03000 111 222.

Give your views on wildlife sites

THE WILDLIFE Trust is appealing for people's views about two Northampton nature reserves.

The trust has opened online consultations for Kingsthorpe Meadows, a 37-acre nature reserve located between Kingsthorpe and Kings Heath, and Storton's Pits, a 58-acre nature reserve near Sixfields.

People can give their opinions about the sites, which are home to plants and animals, including birds, voles and mice.

Suggestions for improve-

ments to the areas to make them as accessible as possible will be welcomed by the organisers.

To take part in the surveys visit www.surveymonkey.com/s/kingsthorpemeadows or www.surveymonkey.com/s/stortonpits

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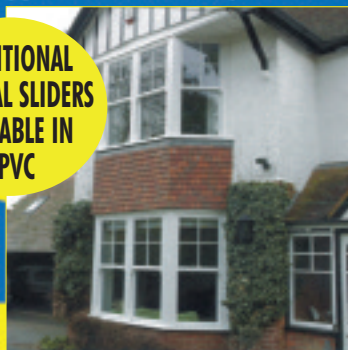
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Project helps the siblings of poorly young in hospital

A NEW project focusing on siblings of ill children has been sparked by the experience of a little girl, whose brother recently underwent intense treatment for cancer.

Celebrating Siblings has been launched by Karen Rodgers, whose son Alfe Game has been in remission from non-Hodgkins Lymphoma since last year.

She realised during a conversation with her daughter, Sophie-Mae, aged four, that her memory of Alfe's time spent in and out of hospital was more prominent than she had first thought.

She said: "Sophie-Mae was only two-and-a-half when Alfe was being treated so she wasn't really verbal, and we carted her off to my family when we were at hospital.

"We were having a conversation recently about Alfe going back for a check-up and she said to me that she doesn't like him going to hospital because he gets hurt there, and she asked if we would be coming back.

"I almost took it for granted that



Karen Rodgers, who has launched Celebrating Siblings, with son Alfe Game, who has been in remission since last year

she went with the flow of what was happening, but siblings don't always have an opportunity to say how they feel, or perhaps they don't think they should."

Thirty children have already signed up to the group, which will hold its first event on November 19, when children will be encouraged to express their feelings.

Karen aims to bring together children aged between two and 16 to decrease social isolation, which she believes can be associated with childhood illness.

To join the group contact Karen on alfescause@hotmail.co.uk or for more information about Alfe's Cause visit www.alfescause.blogspot.com

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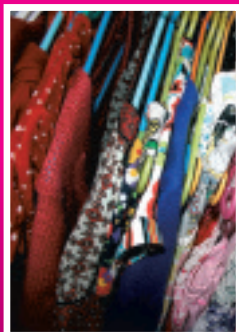
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Easton Neston House and, inset, Ptolemy Dean, the mastermind behind its restoration



'Restoration of home is the best in Britain'

A STately home in Northamptonshire has been described as "delectable" by historians, who have named its restoration the best in Britain.

The Georgian Group, a charity dedicated to preserving Georgian buildings and gardens, named the restoration of Easton Neston Hall near Towcester its "country house restoration of the year" during a ceremony.

The judges said the house, which is now owned by Russian millionaire Leon Max, had been wonderfully restored.

They said: "Easton Neston is a house for which the adjective 'delectable' might have been invented.

"But it was left forlorn and neglected and in part fire-damaged, until rescued by the fashion designer Leon Max, who in an inspired move commissioned Ptolemy Dean to draw up a scheme for its restoration and renewal."

Mr Dean was brought in to work on Easton Neston after featuring on the BBC programme *Restoration*, where he toured the country looking at historic buildings in need of repair.

The Georgian Society praised him for his work on the Northamptonshire house, which included restoring the

building's fire-damaged Wrenn Wing and identifying Nicholas Hawksmoor as the designer of the house after experts had spent years debating whether he had designed it with help from Christopher Wrenn.

The Georgian Group's judges said: "Ptolemy Dean's scholarly approach has advanced our understanding of Hawksmoor's architecture, especially in the building's superbly restored basement.

"As much as the restored fabric, though, it is the energy about the place that is striking.

"Easton Neston is once again the centre of a thriving country estate, but one with a distinctively 21st century inflection.

"To walk through the new design workshops in the Wren Wing is to understand how a large, non-agricultural estate can have a productive life and provide employment for local people without sacrificing anything of its spirit or setting."

Leon Max bought Easton Neston from the Hesketh family for £15 million in 2005.

He now runs his fashion business from the estate and has called it "the most beautiful design studio in the world".

The Georgian Group's awards also saw Whittlebury Lodge near Towcester commended for being built in a "satisfying and dramatic" classical style.

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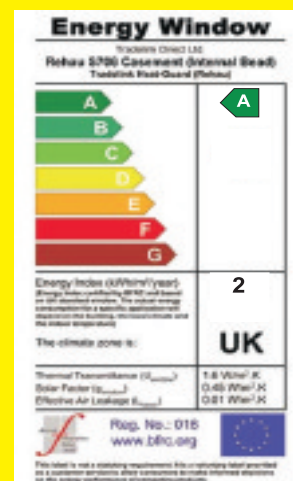
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Over 50s get wise and well at event

RESIDENTS received free smoothies and health checks as part of a new winter campaign to promote healthy living to the over-50s.

The Wise and Well scheme was launched at Daventry Leisure Centre in Lodge Road, last week.

Councillor Alan Hills, cabinet member for community, culture and leisure at Daventry District Council, said: "The idea behind Wise and Well is to provide

a fun and relaxing event that gives people over 50 ideas and suggestions for keeping fit and healthy."

Guests were offered fruit smoothies and mini health checks and there was an interactive health quiz, a Watrose tasting stand and a prize draw. The campaign is spearheaded by Daventry and District Over Fifties Forum in partnership with Daventry District Council, Daventry District Local Strategic Partnership, the NHS, Age UK, Pharmacy Northamptonshire, Nene Commissioning, the police and the county council.

Pictured left, performance manager Katie Jones with committee member John Roberts

All staff at logistics warehouse to lose jobs

A 110-strong warehouse workforce looks set to be culled after an American retail giant's UK venture collapsed this week.

Logistics firm Wincanton announced it had immediately entered into a formal consultation with the team of workers assigned to the Best Buy contract at its Daventry warehouse, which could terminate at the end of next month.

Best Buy, the world's largest electronics firm, launched 11 stores in the UK this year as part of a joint venture with Carphone Warehouse, and had hoped to open a further 90 by 2013.

But "extremely difficult trading conditions" has forced the American company to make a U-turn and it proposes to cease trading of its stores and website by the end of 2011, subject to consultation with its UK employees.

The jobs of 110 workers dedicated to the logistical contract at Wincanton's Daventry warehouse, in Drayton Fields industrial estate, along with other staff at its Greenford warehouse in London, are now under threat.

But Wincanton insisted that the warehouse would continue to operate on other contracts as normal.

A spokeswoman for Wincanton said: "Should this proposal go ahead, the operations undertaken on behalf of Best Buy at Wincanton's shared user sites in Daventry and Greenford will finish at a date to be agreed.

"This will affect 110 employees who are assigned to



the Best Buy contract in Daventry.

"Wincanton is immediately entering into formal consultation with them.

"Both Best Buy and Wincanton wish to make it clear that this is in no way a reflection of the commitment and contribution of the Wincanton teams for Best Buy at Daventry and Greenford.

"Daventry is a shared user site, not dedicated to Best Buy, and Wincanton will continue to manage operations from the site on behalf of other customers."

Chris Over, Daventry District Council's economic, employment and regeneration portfolio holder, said: "We are trying to encourage businesses and retailers to come to the town as part of our aspirations to improve its offering.

"This is obviously a blow for those people affected, particularly in the run-up to Christmas.

"I would hope that they could be redirected elsewhere in the Wincanton fold if at all possible. It is a blow for the wider town and district as well."

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Tessa the terrier is reunited with owner after ordeal



AN ELDERLY terrier left to die at the side of the road has finally been reunited with her disabled owner following a massive online campaign to save her life.

Dozens of strangers helped to raise nearly £1,000 towards vets fees after hearing the moving story of 12-year-old terrier-cross Tessa, who was hit by a car after going missing and finding her way to the care home where her owner, who suffers from MS, had been moved in February.

Tessa was found motionless in Kingthorpe Grove, Northampton, on October 14, by two 15-year-old boys, who alerted a passer-by who drove her to Vets Now, in Monks Pond Street.

By chance, Elaine Myatt, a helper with website DogLost, which tries to reunite lost dogs with their owners, happened to be at Vets Now with her own dog when Tessa was brought in.

She put details of Tessa's plight on the DogLost website, sparking a nationwide campaign to raise £950 to pay for a front leg amputation and save Tessa from being put to sleep.

Tessa's story was also featured in the *Chronicle & Echo*.

Ms Myatt said: "The money was raised within a week. The readers were fantastic and the response was phenomenal."

Tessa has since been reunited with owner, Marie Wills, aged 47, who is currently in Favell House, in Kettering Road.

The devoted dog is now recovering at a family friend's house, but will also need to have an eye removed at a cost of £400.

Ms Myatt said: "She was very bruised and sore but it hasn't stopped her doing anything. She's had all of her stitches out and gets about very well."

The owner's children, both pupils at The Malcolm Arnold Academy, have also raised funds for Tessa's treatment.

Ms Myatt said: "The funds raised meant Tessa's life was saved. Vets Now were able to carry out the leg amputation she so desperately needed and most importantly her one wish of being reunited with her owner."

"Tessa's incredible journey for one so old and remarkable devotion has won the hearts of everyone."

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Pictured above, Marie Wills is reunited with 12-year-old Tessa following her ordeal

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Accident fear over schools traffic

TRAFFIC chaos outside the site of three Daventry schools could lead to a serious accident, residents have warned.

They say parents who clog up streets off Ashby Road near the schools, as well as drivers getting flustered by delays, are a proving a recipe for disaster.

Jane Fryatt, 61, who lives in Mayfield Drive just 100 yards from William Parker School's gate, said: "Twice every day we have the problem."

"It's so bad that if you want to go out or come home between 3pm and 3.30pm there's no point because you won't be able to get up the road."

"Of course, if there's a parents' evening or an event on, the problem can go on for hours."

"It's the same problem across Ashby Road in Hawthorn Drive."

"I know people who have tried to get onto their drives being blocked by parents, only to receive a torrent of abuse when they ask them to move."

"Lots of drivers get frustrated and as soon as there's a gap they speed off."

"There are no longer lollipop ladies and there are lots of children crossing the main road."

"We have had two accidents in the last couple of years with children being hit by cars."

"Thankfully they've not been serious, but there could be a serious one if nothing's done."

Her neighbour Patricia Lee said: "It does cause trouble. We've had times when we're coming home and we can't drive into the street."

Roy Sharp said: "It does get really bad on certain days, particularly when the weather's not so good."

Gloria Edwards Davidson, who represents the area on Daventry District Council said: "I've spoken to several residents about these problems."

"The trouble is traffic along Ashby Road is only going to get worse in future, with the developments at the bottom of the hill."

"We really need to look at this road and the parking issues for the schools and the new university technical college when it comes in two years as well."

A spokesman for William Parker School said: "We would encourage parents not to drive their children to school where possible."

"If they do, our advice is to use the community centre car park."



Traffic builds up during the school run in Mayfield Drive, Daventry

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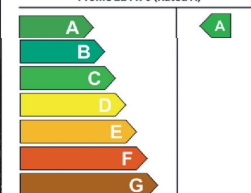
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Neighbours demand action over rubbish



CONCERNED neighbours are demanding action after putting up with 'a big mountain of mess' right on their doorstep for the past three years.

Residents of Abbey Court, in Dodford, live directly next to the land which they say is attracting vermin and causing a serious health hazard.

The yard, on Everdon Road, also houses an old caravan which neighbours say is sometimes attracting late-night visitors.

The problems have been reported to the Environment Agency.

Nikita Parsons, from Abbey Court, said: "I moved here in April 2010 and it's just disgusting. I've got two sons aged five and eight and it's not good having this here."

"There are rats and all sorts, it's definitely a health hazard and just a huge mess."

"We see people coming in and out and staying in the caravan at strange times of day. We don't know what they are doing or what's going on."

Neighbour Elaine Robinson added: "I've lived here for 16 years and originally the site was a second-hand car yard and then a motor truck storage place, and they were both totally fine."

"But it's been in this state for more than three years now. We've been in touch with the Environment Agency but nothing has been done."

"We don't know why it's all been dumped here but we want something done about it, that's all."

"All the houses here have families and it's not acceptable. It's embarrassing when people come to visit."

The Environment Agency said it served an enforcement notice in July last year for the owner to clean up the land within two months. However the land owner has since gone missing and an can't be located.

A spokesman said: "We can't currently see any risk of pollution at the site."



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New plan for £28m relief road and to double size of town

FRESH plans to double the size of Towcester and build a £28 million relief road will go on display during public exhibitions this month.

The new plans by house builders Persimmon and Bloor replace those submitted in 2007 which were shelved after they were criticised by the Government appointed design consultancy, The Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment.

They said the original plans did not provide enough integration between the existing and the new communities.

Last week members of Towcester Town Council were given a briefing at South Northants Council's offices on the Towcester expansion plans.

Martin Johns, Towcester Mayor said: "The key things are there are now 2,750 houses, obviously incorporating a relief road south of the town. SNC will almost certainly be the planning authority by then because the West Northants Development Corporation will cease from April 1, 2012."

"The plans have changed compared to what they presented in 2007.

"But they have had agreement from Highways and county council to resolve the link at the junction of the A43 and A5.

"The biggest problem is that is going to cost something like £28 million, so it will take a huge chunk of the developer contributions away from community projects."

Mr Johns confirmed the plans included a replacement for Sponne School and two new primary schools. Refer-



ring to the CABE report Mr Johns added: "They've tried to address that, whether they have gone far enough is a matter of opinion, but they have made quite a few changes."

He said in the past the developers had referred to the expansion as the Towcester Vale plans, but that they had pointed out this added to the feeling it would become a separate community. He added: "It will be interesting to see how they market it. But we are also looking at a 15 year build, and there is a lot of information to take in and a lot of difficult choices."

A spokesman for the house-builders said the cost of the bypass includes associated works. He added that they are also keen for residents to name the expansion themselves.

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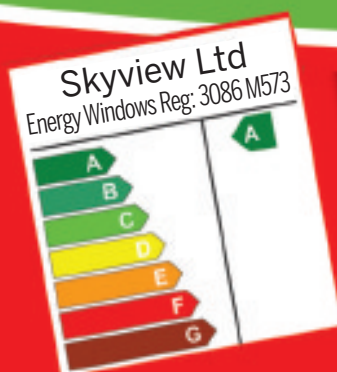
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'Good trainers are not the exception'

A GREYHOUND owner has dismissed allegations that dogs are treated poorly.

Towcester trainer Robert Liddington said he had never heard of cases of dogs being abandoned after their racing career.

Mr Liddington was responding to recent allegations from the founder of the Northants Greyhound Rescue charity, Mandy Hooker, who said good dog owners are the exception and that many dogs are abandoned after their racing careers. She said some even have their ears cut off to hide their identities and urged residents to oppose plans for a dog track at Towcester Racecourse.

Mr Liddington said: "I've been a greyhound trainer for 26 years and I have never encountered this at all."

The trainer, who has around 10 dogs, two of which are around 10 years old, added: "I have had them since they were puppies. They're retired from racing now, but I will keep them until I find

a suitable home."

And Tony Marriot, a builder based in Hinton in the Hedges, backed his view.

Mr Marriot is working for dog owners Douglas and Sue Fagg, from near Oxford, who are spending more than £400,000 on new kennels and endure long days to care for their animals.

Mr Marriot said: "Obviously there are elements in the dog world where dogs are unlicensed and there is some truth to what Mrs Hooker is saying, but only in some cases."

"I don't think the whole industry is cruel."

"The people I work for are of retirement age, they should be selling up and taking it easy, but because of the love of their dogs they are up at 7am feeding and taking care of them and carry on until midnight."

Mr Marriot said the couple are inspected regularly and that all but a handful of their 50 dogs are racing, the rest have been kept after retirement."



Tony Marriot with greyhound, Burwood Freddy

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A WELL-KNOWN cartoonist from Northampton has published a scrapbook following more than 30 years of the Saints through cartoons and caricatures.

Frank Jeffs, of Military Road, Upper Mounts, began drawing cartoons and sketches of the rugby team during their Canadian tour of Vancouver in 1979.

He said: "The cartoons were started when the Saints Veterans – which included Mens Own RFC and other club veterans – went on a month's tour to Vancouver in 1979 under the name of The Latterday Saints, which was unfortunate because there were real Latterday Saints on the plane going over. However, no problems arose."

A staunch supporter of the Saints, Mr Jeffs played for the veterans during the tour.

He said: "I was chuffed be-

cause it was the highlight of my rugby-playing career, playing with John Currie, who played for England."

Mr Jeffs, now in his 70s, had become particularly interested in drawing cartoons while serving in the Army in Cyprus in 1956-57.

He said: "It was when there was a lot of bombing in Cyprus and I drew cartoons to send home to cheer up my mum and dad."

He added: "I've drawn cartoons right from school.

"My father was a comedian so the comedy was in the family.

"My grandfather was a good pencil artist who lived in Earl Street."

After leaving the Army, Mr Jeffs worked in engineering while continuing to draw cartoons for local magazines and newsletters.

He ran a weekly cartoon called

Funny Bones, in the *Northants Post* newspaper for 10 years until 1989 while working at Avon Cosmetics.

He has already published a scrapbook of cartoons based on his working life.

He said: "It's been my life, cartoons and rugby.

"I've accumulated so many cartoons over the years I thought I'd better put them into book form so people can see them."

A member of the Cartoonists' Club of Great Britain, Mr Jeffs also drew illustrations for the Saints 2004-05 season programme.

The cartoon scrapbook can be bought from the publishers, Kallikwik, in Abington Street, Northampton town centre, on a CD or in A4 book form.

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Rescue centre for pets is now full

A RESCUE centre is having to turn animals away for the first time in its 20-year history, after a fall in the number of people stepping forward to offer them new homes.

Animals in Need, in Little Irchester, is currently home to more than 400 animals, and it cannot take any more.

Centre manager Annie Marriott made a desperate appeal for help from *Chron* readers. She said: "It's been mayhem. We are having to make the dogs share kennels - which I hate doing because I think they need their own space - and we have animals in the house, in the office, and being looked after by our volunteers at

their houses.

"At the moment we have 62 dogs, I daren't even think how many cats, and rabbits are coming out of our ears, let alone all the other animals we have.

"Re-homing has really slowed down and obviously, if we don't get the animals out, we can't get new ones in."

Annie said this was the first time in the charity's history it had had to close its doors.

She said: "Even when we're full up and haven't space, we normally take the details of the animal and give the owner a ring as soon as a space becomes available.

"But now it isn't even worth doing that.

"It's the first time we've had to say 'no' to people, and then

obviously you don't know what's going to happen to that animal. You don't know where it's going to end up. People are bringing their animals to a rescue centre because they genuinely want to help them, rather than dump them like some people do, and we're having to turn them away.

"Over the weekend I was ready to throw in the towel," she added. "You think 'What's the point? We're getting nowhere'. It doesn't matter that we help 2,500 animals a year here, we still barely scratch the surface of what's needed."

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Entertainment

Vampires swooping in for one night only

VAMPIRES Rock will be swooping back into the Royal & Derngate for one night only on Monday.

This musical comedy is set in the year 2030 in New York, where the undead are among us and livelier than ever.

Steve Steinman plays the evil Baron Von Rockula, owner of the Live and Let Die Club.

In search of a new bride, the Baron must convince his chosen one to agree to eternal immortality.

The show features pyrotechnics, a full cast of singers and dancers and a formidable band that will play rock anthems, including: 'We Will Rock You',

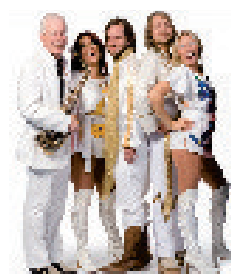
'Bat Out of Hell', 'Highway to Hell', 'Since You've Been Gone', 'Total Eclipse of the Heart', 'Devil Gate Drive', 'I Love Rock 'n' Roll', 'Poison and Sweet Child of Mine'.

Winning praise from some of rock's royalty including Brian May (Queen), Paul Crook (Meat Loaf) and Eddie Ojeda (Twisted Sister), Vampires Rock it is a unique show, combining rock, comedy and musical theatre.

Vampires Rock is in the Derngate auditorium at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced £23, are available from the Box Office on 01604 624811 or online at www.royalandderngate.co.uk.



See 'the best ABBA since ABBA' perform



ABBA fans will have a chance to see a show hailed as "the best ABBA since ABBA" in Northampton this week.

ABBA The Show – the ultimate tribute to ABBA, comes to the Royal & Derngate on Wednesday.

Featuring ABBA's original saxophone player, Ulf Andersson and Sweden's Waterloo, the show charts the ABBA story from their Eurovision beginnings to their major international success.

It starts at the tail end of the '60s when Bjorn, Benny, Agnetha and Frida meet to play together for the first time.

Throughout the course of the production, the audience is led through the rise of ABBA.

It features classic songs such as Waterloo, SOS, Mamma Mia, Dancing Queen, Money Money and Knowing Me Knowing You.

The show comes to the Royal & Derngate at 8pm on Wednesday. Tickets cost £27.50, call Box Office 01604 624811 or visit: www.royalandderngate.co.uk

Ghosts of past, present and future at theatre

CHRISTMAS classic Scrooge comes to Milton Keynes Theatre this week.

Scrooge is a heart-warming family story featuring Ebenezer, Bob Cratchit, the ghosts of Christmas past, present and future, and Tiny Tim.

Tommy Steele takes the lead as Ebenezer Scrooge, in Bill Kenwright's record-breaking

London Palladium production of this festive musical at Milton Keynes from Tuesday.

The show will feature specially created illusions by magician Paul Kieve (acclaimed for the magic effects in the Harry Potter films) and a musical score which features the Oscar nominated hit Thank You Very Much.

The show runs until Saturday, November 26, with evening performances at 7.30pm and Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday matinees 2.30pm.

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Entertainment

Dangerous pact

YOU wait all year for a generic and predictable Nicolas Cage thriller and then two come along in quick succession.

Last week, the Oscar-winning actor and screen wife Nicole Kidman valiantly fended off bumbling diamond thieves during a home invasion in *Trespass*.

Now, Cage reluctantly turns to crime – albeit to clear his besmirched name – in an incendiary tale of revenge, directed by Roger Donaldson.

On the page at least, *Justice* has the kernel of a good idea: the rise of vigilantism to correct perceived imbalances in the legal system.

Screenwriter Robert Tannen grafts decent action sequences onto his compelling main plot but for all of the fire and brimstone spouted by the characters as they wrestle with their consciences, we're largely unmoved.

New Orleans high school teacher Will Gerard (Cage) recites Shakespeare to his students but they would rather text during class or plaster the corridors in graffiti. His entire world comes crashing down when his beautiful musician wife, Laura (January Jones), is robbed and sexually assaulted on her way home from rehearsal.

The attack leaves her battered and bruised, and poor Will an emotional wreck.

In the hospital waiting room, Will is approached by an enigmatic stranger



called Simon (Guy Pearce), who offers to save the couple from a distressing court trial by doling out tough justice to the rapist.

All Will has to do is to agree to return the favour at some point in the future.

To show his assent, Will is instructed to buy two chocolate bars from a vending machine in the hospital canteen.

Six months after entering the pact, Simon contacts Will to collect the debt by asking the teacher to kill a paedophile (Jason Davis).

When Will refuses, Simon ups the stakes, jeopardising the teacher's relationship with his suspicious wife and

best friend Jimmy (Harold Perrineau).

Justice is a solid concept competently executed by Donaldson, who makes good use of the New Orleans locations to paint the city as a miasma of bright lights and noise.

While we sympathise with Cage's husband, we don't share his sense of indignation, and screen chemistry with Jones is a tad chilly.

The more convoluted the narrative becomes, twisting and turning as hunters become the hunted, the quicker our interest wanes until we're correctly guessing how the skullduggery will end based on Tannen's unsubtle hints.

A cup of Kenco Millicano with...

Gilliy and Joe of The Most Marvellous Market

As the newest trend in instant coffee, Kenco Millicano is campaigning to discover the UK's true trendsetters. Over the next month Barbara Scott, one of four trend ambassadors, will be interviewing the men and women setting Northampton's trend agenda. Over a cup of Kenco Millicano she chats to local entrepreneurs Gilliy and Joe about *The Most Marvellous Market*.

Tell us about The Most Marvellous Market.

Joe: "My inspiration was nine years of fashion retail in London's markets. I wanted something different, somewhere comfortable I could bring friends or relatives. Gilliy's background is antiques so we put our heads together, found this building and said 'let's go for it'."

Gilliy: "Our customers are creative people who want their own look, not what everybody else has on the high street."

Do you see Northampton as leading the way in the trend stakes?

Gilliy: "There's no shortage of trend-leaders here, they're creating trends with really individual looks, and we get a lot of students from the art college who are definitely setting their own trends."

The Kenco Millicano Trend Report shows that vintage is a defining trend of 2011. Why do you think it's so popular?

Gilliy: "It's partly nostalgia. At London Fashion Week there were 80s brights and Mary Portas's shifts, 40s pencil skirts at Givenchy, 20s cloche hats at Ralph Lauren. People love the history of things. Also there's less money to go round so people are more savvy about how they spend it. And there's the quality factor, if it's lasted 30 years it'll last another 30."

Another statistic from the Kenco Millicano Trend Report: 60% of women have bought second-hand clothes and homeware. What makes them so versatile?

Joe: "They're very well made. British-made vintage crockery is still going strong – we sell hundreds of them."



Also more people are of the 'make do and mend' mindset with lots of reworking to make things individual."

The Kenco Millicano Trend report also revealed that 64% want to learn a new hobby or skill in 2012. Tell us about your courses.

Joe: "We opened the new school this week and already we've had a sewing course making cushions and hearts in vintage fabrics, also silk screen printing, crochet, knitting, illustration, arts...." Gilliy: "People are loving Gok Wan. We have haberdashery here and people are using trimmings, braiding and buttons to rework a garment."

Finally, the Trend Report shows that 75% buy products that are ethically sourced. Why is sustainability becoming so important?

Gilliy: "Because we don't have an endless resource. Vintage goods have already been produced; the new generation is really thinking about its carbon footprint."



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Next week, Barbara interviews Camille from the Pickled Village.

Entertainment

FRIDAY MUSIC

Blisworth: Jazz & Dine evening at the Walnut Tree with Tad Newton's Jazzfriends and guests Trevor Whiting and Yvonne Evans, 8pm. Tickets £17.50. Book on 01604 858549.

Byfield: Hoagy, Hornpipes, Handel & Hoedown with Hilary James and Simon Mayor, village hall, 7.30pm. Box office 01327 260022.

Northampton: Children in Need entertainment plus Guinness Book of Records 'longest darts marathon doubles', Barratts Club, Kingsthorpe Road, 8pm. 01604 721777.

Northampton: Andy Stone, Kingsley Park WMC.

Northampton: Christy Strong (Irish music), The Romany, Kingsley Road, 9pm.

Northampton: Earth Man Sounds, Jessie from Inspirational Radio, The Crispin, Clare Street, 8pm-late.

Northampton: Rik King, Vocal Club, Bailiff Street.

Northampton: Lady James (drag artist), live vocals and stand-up comedy, Foundryman's Arms, St James Road, 9.15pm-11.30pm.

THEATRE

Helmdon: *Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf*, Act II Theatre Co. Primary School, 7pm. Box office 01295 768922.

Northampton: Paul Carrack, Derngate stage, 7.30pm. Box office 01604 624811.

Northampton: *The Go-Between*, Royal stage, 7.45pm. Box office 01604 624811.

OTHER

Castle Ashby: Tea-rooms and lovely selection of shops in pretty courtyard at the Rural Shopping Yard, open every day except Mondays.

Northampton: Final weekend of art exhibition by Pam Fitzsimmons and Carol Shepperdson, The Workbridge Coffee Shop, The Old Laundry, Bedford Road, Fri 9am-3pm, Sat 10am-3.30pm.

Northampton: Northants Inter-varsity Club. Multi-activity and social and leisure club for professional or like-minded people; various days and locations. www.northants-ivc.org.uk

Northampton: Northampton Town & County Art Society exhibition, Central Museum and Art Gallery, Guildhall Road.

SATURDAY MUSIC

Brafield: Sugar Soul (vocalist), WMC, Bedford Road (A428), 8pm; food available.

Northampton: Renowned reggae singer Chris Goldfinger, plus support acts, The Bantam, Abington Square, 10pm-4am; £8 on the door.

Northampton: Accrington Stanley, in aid of the Cynthia Spencer Hospice – The Jo Rideout Memorial Gig, The Picturedrome, Kettering Road, 9pm; Tickets £10. 01604 230777.

Northampton: 'Let all the world in every corner sing', The Choir of St Matthew's, St Matthew's Parade, 7pm; tickets £10 plus concessions, 01604 791251.

Northampton: Camouflage, Molly's Bar, Abington Square.

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Uppingham: The Boyan Ensemble of Kiev, Uppingham School Chapel, 7.30pm. Tickets £15, concessions £13 on 01572 820820.

Wellingborough: Concert by Raunds Temperance Band and Guild Singers, All Hallows' Church, 7.30pm. Tickets £8 include light refreshments. 01933 279366.

THEATRE

Corby: MASH Dance Extravaganza, Corby Cube, 3pm and 6pm. Box office 01536 470470.

Northampton: Back for Good, Derngate stage, 8pm. Box office 01604 624811.

Northampton: *The Go-Between*, Royal stage, 2.30pm and 7.45pm. Box office 01604 624811.

SHOWS AND SALES

Blisworth: Blisworth Wildflowers, The Dairy, 4a Northampton Road. Nursery selling cottage garden plants and wildflowers; open every weekend or by appointment. 01604 859383.

Earls Barton: Christmas bazaar in aid of Cystic Fibrosis, Church Hall, 10am-midday; variety of stalls and refreshments.

Earls Barton: Christmas fayre, Infants School, 10am-midday; variety of stalls, art and refreshments.

Kislingbury: Kislingbury Arts and Crafts Society exhibition and sale, village hall, 10am-4pm.

Northampton: World of Difference Craft Fayre, St Giles Church, 11am-4pm (entrance St Giles Terrace); variety of crafts and stalls including those from Nepal, Kenya, Ghana; refreshments.

Northampton: Craft and Food Fayre, Boothville community centre (behind old post office, near Lumbertubs PH), 10am-1pm; wide variety of stalls and refreshments.

Northampton: Autumn fayre, variety of stalls, art exhibition, organ recital, light lunches, Kingsley Park Methodist Church, 10am-1pm.

Northampton: Winter fayre, Abington Church Rooms, Park Avenue North, 10am-midday; crafts, tombola, cards, decorations and much more.

Northampton: Book sale, records, videos, table top items, St John House, 33 Billing Road, 9.30am-12.30pm.

Northampton: New to You sale, Park Square, Kings Heath, 10.30am-1pm.

Rothersthorpe: Art Group's first exhibition, village hall, 10.30am-4.30pm, Sat and Sun; refreshments.

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OTHER

Cold Ashby: Bingo evening, tombola and refreshments, village hall, 7.30pm; bar, disabled facilities. In aid of the Bowls Club.

Kettering: Saturday Talk: The Persistent Object - Graham Underhill (guided tour of his exhibition), Alfred East Gallery, 11am-midday; free.

SUNDAY MUSIC

Blisworth: Jazzin' Around presents Cool Jazz featuring Elaine Hutton, Alan Wakeman and Neil Riches, Walnut Tree, Station Road, midday-2.30pm; adm £6; food available. 01604 858549.

Brafield: Burt Barber (keyboard), WMC, Bedford Road (A428); food available.

Northampton: Jackie and Ade, Spread Eagle, Wellingborough Road, 6pm-9pm.

Northampton: Tom Healy Band, Kingsley Park WMC, Kingsley Park Terrace.

THEATRE

Northampton: *High School Rocks*, Derngate stage, 6.30pm. Box office 01604 624811.

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Rothersthorpe: Art Group's first exhibition, village hall, 10.30am-4.30pm.

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Even with Kia's new tiger's nose corporate grille you're unlikely to confuse a Sedona with something off the automotive catwalk, but that's to miss the point of this particular machine.

The requirements for something like the Sedona are simple; big enough for seven, safe enough to keep the family secure, reasonably inexpensive to run and as pleasant to drive as possible. Probably in that order.

Well, it's certainly big. There's space for

seven adults on board, although it helps if the two shown to the seats in row three are not too big, and reasonably agile. They'll access the rear through big sliding doors which on levels 2 and 3 of the Sedona line-up are electrically operated.

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of them powered by a recently introduced 2.2 litre diesel engine which does much better on the mileage and pollution front than the former, much larger unit.

The way the Sedona drives might come as a surprise. It certainly surprised me as we galloped along the motorway and I saw the speedo sitting at a 'morning officer'

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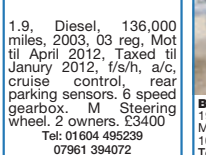
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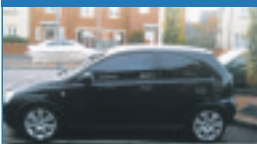
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x x x



Obituaries

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Peter Geoffrey. Died peacefully in hospital on Saturday 5th November, aged 84. Much loved Husband of Ann, Father of Catti, Rosie, Louise and Vicky, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather. Funeral service and interment will be at Guilsborough Church at 2.00pm on Monday 14th November. No flowers please, donations to British Heart Foundation.

POOLE — Graham Suddenly at home November 4th 2011, aged 43 years. Nephew to John and Josie, Cousin to Karen. Sleep peacefully. God bless. x

REYNOLDS — Tony. Dear friend and colleague to all at Lionverge will be sadly missed.

21st Birthday



Harry AINGE

Happy 21st Birthday.
Love Mum,
Dad, Hannah
and Lee. xxxx

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BROWNE

Barbara

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Deepest sympathy to Pat & Family.
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R.I.P Barbara

LOE

Elaine

We miss you
dearly.
Love from the
Smith family
xxx

Obituaries

WELLINGTON

Stanley

Dad.
Died 9.11.2011.
Good night Dad,
Forever in our thoughts,
we will always love
and miss you.
Until we meet again.

Pete, Joanne, Garry,
Kerry and Great
Grandchildren

R.I.P.

WELLINGTON

Stanley

May Mum & Dad
show you around
Heaven.
From your Loving
Brother Charles,
Rose, Mark, Roy and
Grandchildren

In Memoriam

BOND

Betty

13.11.2010.
A much loved
Wife, Mum,
Nan & Great Nan.
Forever
in our hearts.
Peter xx

In Memoriam

CLARKE

Josie

14th November 2005.
We cried when you
passed away,
we cry today still.
Although we loved
you dearly,
we could not
make you stay.
A golden heart
stopped beating,
hard working
hands at rest.
God broke our hearts
to prove to us,
He only
takes the best.
Love Always,
Dave, Joanne, Alan,
Laura, Ben, Richard
and Little
Emma.
xxxxxx

DONNELLY

Bridie

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x x x RIP x x x

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Mum today
and every day

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Michael, Ann, Susan,
Sean, Amos and
Families

HARRISON

Michael John

22.01.1938 -
13.11.2010.

In loving memory of
my darling Husband
Mick who passed
away on 13th
November 2010.

You will be in my
heart forever. Love
Julie. x x

FOULKES

Paul

Foulkesy, I still need
and miss you so much.
To feel you, to watch
you jiggling around the
house and to hear you
say "I love you Mrs F".
Please never stop
loving me, because I
will never stop
loving you.
Paula
xxx I.L.Y xxx



HARRISON

Michael John

Our dear Dad, who
we lost so suddenly
a year ago.

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forgotten Dad, we
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forever.

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Joe and Jessica.
x x x x

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Joe

16.11.10
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the same without you
in it. I love and miss
you so much.
Barbara
x

SMART

Terry

11.11.10
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night, although you
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your broken hearted
Mum and Dad
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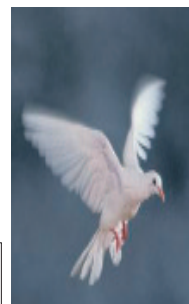
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LAST-GASP DELIGHT - Ronan O'Gara celebrates his last-gasp drop goal that sealed Munster's 23-21 Heineken European Cup win over Saints at Thomond Park in Limerick last Saturday night

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Coach Mallinder on the defensive

JIM MALLINDER has hit back at Scarlets' coaching staff calling Saints' scrum illegal, by declaring they will do their talking on the pitch.

Ahead of Friday night's vital Heineken Cup clash, Scarlets boss Nigel Davies turned up the heat by declaring he has gone to European referees chief Donal Courtney about Saints' 'illegal' scrum.

Mallinder did not want to get involved in a war of words, but he has been here before after then Cardiff Blues boss Dai Young made the same complaint ahead of their Heineken Cup double-header last season.

The Saints pack went on to beat up Cardiff in both games in an unbeaten run in the pool stage on the way to the Heineken Cup final.

Mallinder said: "I know the Scarlets coach has talked about our scrum in particular, and questioned the legality of that.

"For us it is a bit like what happened last year. We do our talking on the pitch and we will let our pack do the talking on Friday."

The scrum will be a key battle on Friday as Saints try to stifle any ball getting to the Scarlets' lethal backs, and Davies believes Mallinder's front row push upwards to win penalties.

Davies said: "The scrum area is going to be interesting. I think they are illegal in that area to be honest, and I think that needs to be looked at.

"It's an area I want clarity on before we go into the game. I will speak to Donal Courtney this week. I just want clarification.

"Northampton will look to put pressure on us in that area. If they keep on coming up in the scrum and that's not going to be refereed, then you are not going to have a fair contest at the scrum.

"We will see how that pans out. It's an area we've got to get right as well."

Saints go into Friday night's game on the back of their heart-breaking defeat at Munster in their opening pool game on Saturday night.

Mallinder's men looked to have sealed a famous win at Thomond Park, until Ronan O'Gara's stoppage time drop goal won the match for the Irish side.

Kick-off at Franklin's Gardens on Friday is 8pm.

Cardoza set to take time over new boss

COBBLERS chairman David Cardoza says he won't be naming a new manager until after Saturday's npower League Two clash with Shrewsbury Town at Sixfields.

And Cardoza will have at least 50 names to choose from when it comes to settling on a new boss, after he was inundated with phone calls, texts and emails in the hours following the announcement that Gary Johnson had departed the club on Monday morning.

Johnson left Sixfields 'by mutual consent', with he and Cardoza agreeing to go their separate ways in a meeting between the pair on Sunday afternoon.

The 1-0 FA Cup first-round de-

feat at Blue Square Premier side Luton Town proved to be the last straw for Cardoza, whose patience finally snapped with a manager who promised so much, but delivered very little.

Former Town boss Colin Calderwood has emerged as the early bookies' favourite for the post, with his odds being cut from 16/1 to 8/11 throughout this week.

Other names in the frame include Aidy Boothroyd, Steve Tilson and Brian Laws, as well as ex-Cobbler and former Bristol Rovers manager Paul Trollope.

Other ex-Town players to have thrown their hat in the ring are Chris Hargreaves, Scott McGleish and Steve Brown, while former boss Ian Sampson has also declared he would love to

return to the Sixfields hot-seat.

There are a lot of names to sift through, and Cardoza has made it clear he will not be rushing into things.

"We will be waiting a week before making any decision on a new manager," said the Town chairman last night.

"I have had around 50 calls and emails from people interested in the job, and the response has been encouraging.

"We will now take our time to look through all the applicants, and really go through the information received before making a decision."

David Lee and Andy Holt will take caretaker charge of the Cobblers clash with the Shrews on Saturday (ko 3pm).



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